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IN THE COLUMN STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Peter SONDEREGGER

Application No.: 09/403,724

Filed: December 20, 1999

For: NEUROTRYPSIN

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action issued January 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified application and consider the remarks as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 16, 19, 31 and 32 as follows:

16. (twice amended) Isolated neurotrypsins having the amino acid sequences of

formulas I and II:

I: neurotrypsin of the human (SEQ ID NO: 2); and

II: neurotrypsin of the mouse (SEQ ID NO: 4).

(twice amended) A method for the development of pharmaceutical drugs

comprising,

isolating proteins having the coded amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NOS: 2 or 4 and using said proteins as targets for said pharmaceutical drugs.

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AMENDMENT/REPLY 1	TRANSMITTAL LETTER	
Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231		
Sir:		

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. [] A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (248) [] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed. Also enclosed is _____ [] Small entity status is hereby claimed. [] Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] [] \$370.00 (279) [] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). [] Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested. Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

[] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

[X] No additional claim fee is required.

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS							
	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE		
Total Claims	17	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =			
Independent Claims	14	MINUS 14 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =			
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (104)							
Total Amendment Fee							
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee							
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT							

[]	A claim fe	ee in the	amount of \$	1S	enclosed.
[]	Charge \$_		to Deposit Acc	ount No.	02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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